

**May 15, 2014**

Margate City, New Jersey

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on the above date at 5:00 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute and roll call: Mr. Becker, Mr. Blumberg, and Ms. Taube were present. Mr. Abbott and Mr. Deaney were also absent. The minutes from May 1, 2014 were approved as read on motion by Ms. Taube with a vote of three ayes.

**Public Comment:** John Sewell urged a canine census. Sharon Simon addressed the appearance of abuse of power and city funds by commissioners to fight certain battles. Stanley Pierson spoke against daily sidewalk sales by the merchants (*Ms. Taube and Mr. Becker agreed and will look into this issue with the MBA*). Joy Kanter provided the commissioners with information about Team Will which is a bicycling group that will cross the country and arrive @ Lucy the Elephant on July 1<sup>st</sup>. They work for the benefit of childrens cancer & upon arrival they will receive a Proclamation and there will be a Margate child (who has cancer) acting as the Team Will Ambassador. (*Commissioners will provide any assistance needed*). Steve Altman spoke about the poor acoustics in the room and asked that there be more dialogue between commissioners and residents during this public portion of the meetings. Dan Gottlieb agreed with the last speaker & asked that the mayor be more actively engaged in the DUNES matter since the public has made it clear that the Dune Project is not wanted (*Mr. Becker explained everything he has done to this point*). This portion was closed on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of 3 ayes.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** John Sewell spoke against Resolution #108 (*Mr. Deaney explained the purpose and that there is no expenditure involved – the information as written was incorrect*) & asked for an explanation of Ordinance #24 (*Mr. Deaney explained that #9 will be tabled and this ordinance will take its place in accordance with Local Finance Board ruling on the down payment & advice of bond counsel*). This portion was closed on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of three ayes.

**Agenda Items:**

Ordinance #9 Bond Ordinance Providing for Capital Improvements and Extraordinary Repairs in and by the City of Margate Necessitated by Hurricane Sandy, and Appropriating \$1,670,250 Therefore and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,670,250 Bonds or Notes of the City for Financing the Cost Thereof was tabled on motion by Ms. Taube with a vote of three ayes.

Ordinance #24 with the same title as #9 was introduced on motion by Mr. Becker with a vote of three ayes. This ordinance will be advertised in accordance with law and the public hearing and second reading is scheduled for June 5, 2014 @ 5:00 p.m. in the municipal building.

**RESOLUTIONS** were adopted unanimously on motion with a vote of three ayes with the following exception: **Resolution #107** *Authorize Payment to Colmar Home Center* was adopted on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of two ayes (*Mr. Becker recused himself*). All Resolutions may be found in full in the following pages.

#104 Authorize Payment of Claims and Payroll (*Becker*)

#105 Authorize City Clerk to Record a Municipal Lien for Costs Associated with Demolition of 308 N. Essex Avenue Totaling \$16,085.00 (*Becker*)

#106 Authorize Tax Lien Redemption for Block 201.05 Lot 93 in the Amount of \$1,291.74 (*Becker*)

Added after Work Session:

#108 Supporting the Strategic Recovery Planning Report and Authorizing the Administration to Submit Applications for Post Sandy Planning Assistance Grants (*Becker*)

It was noted that the owner of the property at Exeter Avenue and the Beach will be replacing the existing bulkhead at no cost to the City of Margate.

With no further business the Regular meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of three ayes.

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Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, New Jersey

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas D. Hiltner, City Clerk